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Traffic Circle and Bike Lanes Are Planned for Hanover Parkway

by Diane Oberg

Motorists and pedestrians may already be encountering new traffic patterns on Hanover Parkway at the entrance to the Lakes at Greenbelt Village. The city will be creating a roundabout at this location. According to a memorandum by Director of Planning and Community Development Celia Craze the roundabout will provide intersection control, provide a location for a pedestrian crossing and help calm traffic speeds. Initially the roundabout will be marked with paint and flexible bollards. A more permanent roundabout will be constructed in the spring once city staff can confirm that it is working as expected.

Pedestrian Crossings

Without the roundabout, Craze wrote, it was difficult to create a safe pedestrian crossing of the roadway due to its width and the curves in the road that limit the sight distances of motorists and pedestrians. A pedestrian walking at an average pace will take roughly 13 seconds to cross the road. At the posted speed of 30 miles per hour, the closest approaching car must be at least 564 feet away for the pedestrian to cross safely. Although the distance would be reduced if pedestrians walked faster, if the motorists speed more distance is re-

quired. She concluded that simply painting crosswalks on Hanover Parkway would not "mitigate the realistic hazard to the pedestrian."

Craze allowed that the city's new roundabout would cost somewhat less than the \$8 million cost of a new roundabout in Annapolis.

The roundabout, authorized by council as a test project, will reduce the space to be crossed at one time by a pedestrian from the current 45 feet to 12 feet, which will take the average walker just 4 seconds. Then the pedestrian will have a refuge from which to watch and plan the next crossing. The line of sight needed for safety is reduced to 176 feet or less (if the roundabout also reduces motorists' speeds). This information was part of a report by Craze in response to a petition from Fred Gasper of the Village at Greenbelt Lakes. Craze discussed the roundabout and other safety issues regarding Hanover Parkway at the January 10 regular council meeting. In a September petition to council, Gasper called for urgent action to modernize Hanover Parkway including installation of marked crosswalks when the roundabout was installed, repairs to damaged and sunken pavement at Metrobus stops and repaving of the road-

way from Greenbelt Road to Megan Lane. Gasper also called for elimination of all passing lanes from Ora Glen Road to Good Luck Road to permit installation of dedicated bike lanes.

In her report, Craze noted that Hanover Parkway is the primary access route from Greenbelt to Doctor's Hospital, is the main access road from 1.5 million square feet of commercial office space, and carries a significant volume of both local and non-local traffic. "Any changes to Hanover Parkway that significantly constrain roadway operations could cause drivers to seek alternate, less constrained routes. Therefore, any changes to Hanover Parkway considered to improve traffic safety should recognize that in Greenbelt East, Hanover Parkway is the primary north/south vehicular access route."

Bicycle Safety

Craze found that there is sufficient road width from Good Luck Road to just south of Greenbrook Drive to provide for

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Wind Storm Damages Eatery, Trees, Power

by Barbara Young

Damage to Jasper's Restaurant, a power outage, and downed trees and branches were results of strong winds lashing Greenbelt on Thursday, January 13. The power outage affected North End Greenbelt from about 2 to 6 p.m. and was caused by a large pine tree near the lake falling and hitting power lines. PEPCO removed the tree from the lines and Public Works cleaned up debris. Greenbelt Elementary School was served by a generator.

Another large pine tree fell near the family picnic area at the lake, City Horticulturist Bill Phelan said. On Breezewood Drive near Greenbelt Middle School, he also said, a tree began heaving out of the ground and was removed by Public Works. Police Dispatcher Antonio Fominaya was walking his dog back from the lake and saw two trees fall near 44 and 48 Lakeside, one was about 15 to 20 feet tall and the other was smaller, he said. Jim Williamson also of Lakeside watched from a living room window as a 50-foot tall pine tree fell toward the house. "I thought it was coming in the window," he said. It fell short.

The same afternoon, a part of Jasper's roof and awning was blown off near the restaurant's entrance. One person was injured and taken to Doctors Hospital. Police, Public Works and Community Development departments responded along with the fire department. Public Works aided in removing the damaged roof sections. Community Development inspected the area and required Jasper's to shut down for the evening. The restaurant reopened Friday.

Council Ponders Tightening Noise Control Ordinance

by Diane Oberg

At its January 24 regular meeting, the Greenbelt City Council will consider a resolution to amend the city's noise control ordinance. The resolution was introduced for first reading at council's January 10 meeting and will be eligible for final adoption on January 24. A second ordinance, setting the penalties for violating the noise limits at \$100 for the first infraction, \$250 for the second and \$500 for any additional violations was also introduced.

According to Director of Planning and Community Development Celia Craze, the changes are needed because the city's current noise controls have proved difficult to enforce and they have

not covered the majority of noise complaints. Current law prohibits anyone from operating a radio, television, sound equipment "or any other machine, equipment or tool which produces or reproduces any sound or noise which is audible more than fifty (50) feet from the source" after having been ordered by a police officer to stop. Craze said that many of the city's noise complaints occur in townhouse or multifamily units that share common walls. These complaints frequently involve noise that is audible between units, but not at the 50 foot limit.

The new law, if approved for final passage, would prohibit the use of sound equipment or machinery audible for 50 feet between the hours of 9 p.m. to 7 a.m. (currently the ban starts at 11 p.m.). It would also ban the making of "any unreasonably loud noise or any noise which either annoys, disturbs, injures or endangers the comfort, repose, health, peace or safety of others" within the city. Craze acknowledges that applying this standard will require police officers to make a subjective determination of what is unreasonable.

The new law also adds automotive alarms to the list of devices that could subject the owners to penalties if they sound for

What Goes On

Mon., Jan. 24, 8 p.m. City Council Meeting, Municipal Building

Wed., Jan. 26, 8 p.m. City Council Worksession with Capital Office Park, Community Center

Thur., Jan. 27, 7:30 p.m. GHI Board Meeting, Hamilton Place

8 p.m. City Council Worksession, Artist Studio Licenses, Municipal Building

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New Post Office on Hold Until Problems Resolved

by Elaine Skolnik

Although funding for the proposed new Greenbelt Post Office in Greenbelt East has been approved by the U.S. Congress and design plans drawn up, the project is currently on hold.

The Postal Service's purchase of the site at the corner of Hanover Parkway and Ora Glen Drive (behind the vacant Banc 1 building) from BJB Associates has not yet been consummated.

Circuit Court Judge William B. Spellbring, Jr. stated in a September 24, 1999 ruling that only an office building could be built on the tract.

The judge's decision was handed down after a hearing in which the plaintiffs - BJB, the City of Greenbelt and the U.S. Postal Service - asked the court to declare invalid a unilateral land covenant restricting development of the tract to office building use imposed by the site's former owners - Green Ora Limited Partnership - defendants in the case. The plaintiffs challenged the right of the defendants to impose a covenant that did not also include the City of Greenbelt's signature.

Seeking Solutions

Currently postal service officials and representatives of the Peterson Companies, BJB's parent company, are seeking solutions to keep the post office in Greenbelt. Although the plaintiffs did not appeal the court decision within 30 days, the question of whether further legal action should be pursued is being studied, as well as the option of condemnation by the Postal Service or the City of Greenbelt. There is also hope that an agreement can be reached between the plaintiffs and defendant.

Gary Modjeska of Green Ora and the Midland Company maintains that the 1991 unilateral covenant placed on the tract where the post office would be built, runs with the land, a fact that has been disputed. Bruce Marcus, attorney for BJB, told the News Review in October that the judge's decision "did not rule on whether or not the covenant ran with the land."

Green Ora lost the tract when Madison National Bank, their lender, was taken over in 1994 by the Federal Deposit Insurance

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E. Roosevelt High School To Be Technology Academy

Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) is one of 12 schools selected from a pool of 100 applicants nationwide as a pilot site for the Academy of Information Technology. President Clinton and National Academy Foundation (NAF) Chairman Sanford Weill made the announcement January 13 at the third annual Wall Street Project Conference, hosted by the Reverend Jesse Jackson in New York. Roosevelt High School Principal Dr. Gerald Boarman was in attendance.

The Academy of Information Technology is a new program designed to prepare high school students for careers in dynamic information technology fields. Pilot sites were chosen for their leadership and flexibility, commitment to career education, ability to secure mentors, internships, and teacher training from local business partners, and a baseline of technological capabilities that will be enhanced through NAF program grants.

Dennis Smith, vice president of the Copeland Companies and longtime chair of the Prince George's County Academy of Finance Advisory Board called the selection of ERHS a major event for both the Prince George's County school system and the State of Maryland. He said that the Greenbelt school's proposal was the most comprehensive one submitted. He was "extremely proud," he said, "of Dr. Boarman, teacher Laura Grace, and the entire Roosevelt team for bringing such honor to the Prince George's

County Public Schools." Smith noted that the Prince George's County school system has the largest number of participating high schools in the Academy programs' mid-Atlantic region. He felt that President Clinton's recognition of Gerald Boarman will assist in expanding the number of business partners for the Academies of Finance, Information Technology, and Travel and Tourism.

ERHS applied for consideration as an Academy of Information Technology pilot site because the academy aligns well with school goals, local workforce trends, and the school's commitment to addressing the digital divide. The school has a reputation for collaboratively developing cutting edge educational programs that personalize the learning experience for students and strategically link classroom learning with the workplace and higher education.

The NAF offers an industry specific educational model in two areas that complement the program offerings of ERHS. In 1998 the school implemented the Academy of Travel and Tourism and in 1999 introduced the Academy of Finance. Students, parents, educators, and the business community have embraced both programs.

Plans call for the Academy of Information Technology to begin in the fall of 2000, with a pilot program of approximately 30 students. Program goals are as fol-

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Beat The Rush

Please give us your copy on Mondays or at least by noon on Tuesdays. We are trying not to get swamped Tuesday nights.

Letters to the Editor

Can Reader Return GHI Christmas Gift?

I would like to invite all the members of GHI to the sidewalk between the courts of 3 Ridge and 5 Ridge to admire their fees at work. GHI has provided us with a remarkable exhibition of sidewalk lighting at a cost of only \$2000 (eight lights at a mere \$250 each). That would probably be enough to provide every household in GHI, let alone the few who use this sidewalk, with a flashlight. Or GHI could have installed lights that are not only smaller and less obtrusive, but are about a third the price and operate on solar power.

If you visit by daytime, note just how large, ugly, and obtrusive the lighting fixtures are. There's no way the GHI directors would allow a resident to install such monstrosities (certainly not without at least painting them green).

Better, though, to arrive by night and preferably from the Ridge Road end of the sidewalk. Then you can admire how unnecessarily bright these lights are and how they shine not only on the sidewalk but also onto our lawns and into our windows. And, when you get to the other end of the walk, you can note how you are plunged back into utter darkness, making the whole exercise completely pointless except for those of us who might want to visit our neighbors at three in the morning.

At either time, you might ask one of us neighboring residents to see if GHI acted like a true cooperative, working with the affected residents to see if we wanted the lighting and, if so, what sort of lighting we would like. You will find that GHI did not. It was a sort of shiny Christmas present to us from GHI. Well, it's a Christmas present I wish I could return.

Kevin W. Parker

Center Needs Phones

At 7 a.m. on January 11, while approaching the Bank of America ATM, I noticed two people in a car parked at the last space on the left side of Crescent, watching me at the ATM. There were no other people or cars in the area. I thought I was in danger. As a defense, I made it obvious that I was obtaining their license plate number before I got back into my car and drove to the variety store to call the police to report the suspicious conduct. (There are no pay phones in the center.)

I explained to the owner of the variety store what had just occurred and asked to use his phone to call the police. To my surprise he asked me for \$0.35 to make the call. I left the store angry and frustrated. First no pay phones in the center, then being asked for \$0.35 to make the call to the police.

I drove home, called the police and the car was gone when they went to investigate.

Please put some phones in the Center.

Don Trado

Open Letter

Dear Dorothy:

The article you wrote about

My Point of View

Looking Forward and Back In the New Millennium

by James Giese

(With the coming of the new year, new century and new millennium (or at least all four digits of the year changing) there has been a lot of pontificating going on in the press. It seems to me that anyone has a license to pontificate, that our little newspaper should be in the mainstream, and therefore I have decided to join the crowd.)

Greenbelt's lifespan is only two-thirds of the past century, although the new-town, green-town concept is one that encompasses nearly all of the 1900's. In the history of mankind, Greenbelt is only a small blip on the timeline. Similarly, its effect on the world of today is very inconsequential, another teeny blip. Most likely, Greenbelt will have little effect on the future of our planet, but what happens on our planet will greatly affect our community.

To contemplate the future of our city without recognizing the impact of our world environment upon that future is impossible. We are still in a world where people continue to fight over ideologies and express hate. While I feel that any major war would be equally destructive to both sides because the world economies and communications networks have become so intertwined, there is no assurance that world leaders will have the wisdom to maintain peace. During the past century the world's natural resources have been consumed in increasingly greater amounts while the environment has been significantly degraded. The increase in human population has greatly impacted on all other animal and plant populations and habitats. There is nothing to indicate that these growth trends will not continue until such time as our resources are exhausted. Can mankind replace such important resources as fossil fuels and still maintain the sort of lifestyle we have become used to in this

country?

During the brief 62 years that Greenbelt has been a part of the world community, new technology has greatly altered the average resident's lifestyle. Where once a Greenbelt family was lucky to own one car, it is now apt to own two or more cars. Where once many families lacked telephones, we now have phones all about the house and in our cars, pockets and purses or on our hips. Telegraphs were the fastest means of verbal communications and were delivered in Greenbelt by a boy on bicycle. Now more and more residents email to their family and friends.

In 1937 you had to go to downtown Washington to do your major shopping, but when you got there you were met by a friendly clerk and your purchases were delivered free the next day. Now you get on-line and order through a computer without leaving home or go to the nearest discount store or mall and stand in line to make a purchase which you then have to lug home. Greenbelt was "modern" with its all-electric kitchen stoves—many people elsewhere were still using coal or wood stoves. Now, we zap our food with microwaves or burn it on propane-fueled outdoor grills. Our garbage was once put in containers in the ground for thrice-weekly collection. Now we dump it down the sink. Then there was little trash. Now we are overwhelmed by packaging and unwanted mail, which we have to sort out between the disposable and recyclable.

Once or twice a week, original Greenbelters might go to the movie theater at the center and watch a short newsreel telling what was happening in the rest of the world before seeing the feature movie. Now we see major news events throughout the world right in our homes as they take place, plus we can see countless forms of entertainment, some of the best of which are the old movies from the '30's.

Once, Greenbelt was a town of 3,000 with many children. Now we have a population in excess of 20,000, but not many more children. In the '30s, most Greenbelt workers worked in downtown Washington. The 15-mile commute was by car on two-lane roads or by bus to Rhode Island Avenue and then electric trolley car into Washington. Now Greenbelters drive to work all over the place taking multi-lane superhighways, or they can catch the new electric train (Metro) just a little closer to Greenbelt than Rhode Island Avenue. In either event, it will probably take as long or longer to get there during rush hour as in the '30s. Back then, Greenbelt was restricted to Caucasians, although at least persons of the Jewish faith were welcomed as residents. Now Greenbelt is an ethnically and racially diverse community.

The changes to Greenbelt in the past will probably pale in significance to the changes of the future. What changes these will be is impossible to predict. Who, in 1937, could have predicted what Greenbelt would be like today?

Will the institutions that now provide our sense of community exist a hundred years from now?

The Old Curmudgeon



"In the next millennium, perhaps...."

Will changing populations maintain existing traditions or substitute ones of their own? Without new areas to build upon and bring added resources to the city, can the city maintain its vitality without decline or decay? What will shortages of natural resources do to our lifestyles? How will rapidly changing technology affect our way of living? Can humankind ever learn to live together in peace and harmony, here or elsewhere?

The past tells us that for every problem humankind has solved, new ones have evolved, and many have never been solved. It also tells us that while there will

be great changes, some things never seem to change.

The people of the 21st century face many difficult challenges. Can they, with the aid of technological advances which are sure to occur, face these challenges and better their way of life?

The challenges of the future for Greenbelters and all humankind seem greater than ever before. But, in the past we have shown an ability to adapt and use technology to solve our problems. It will be interesting to see how well we succeed in the new millennium.

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GHI Notes

The Architecture & Environment Committee will meet January 26 at 7:30 p.m. in the board room.

The next regular Board of Directors meeting will be on January 27 at 7:30 p.m. in the GHI board room. Members are encouraged to attend.

Movie Produced Here In Our Local Theater

by Mary Moien

Lights, camera, action! Any one who visited the Old Greenbelt Theatre in the last weeks might have stumbled upon an independent film being shot on location. "Popcorn Magic" is a film about the "romance and magic of the theater," according to Jorge Bernardo, who directed and produced the film with Mark Marshall. The film company is Bernardo Productions and members are from the metropolitan area.

The film will be entered in the Rosebud Film Festival, a local festival which draws entries from the Washington, DC area. After the festival, Bernardo hopes to be able to market the film. He is looking into showing the film for Greenbelters at the Greenbelt theater or on the Greenbelt Cable Channel, but plans are not in place yet.

The story line involves two people who meet at a showing of "The Philadelphia Story." In fact, some Greenbelters might have been confused recently by "The Philadelphia Story" on the marquee. It was put up for an outdoor shot. The film stars local actors Cindy Gueli and Bernardo and features an 86-year-old first-time actor, John Gunion, who, according to Bernardo, "steals the show" as a hard-of-hearing ticket taker who "makes the magic happen."

The Greenbelt connection is the use of the theater, which came about accidentally. Bernardo was familiar with the theater and when another location fell through, he was able to make quick arrangements with Paul Sanchez, owner of the independent Old Greenbelt Theatre. More information on the show and its progress will be available on the film company's web site Bernardoproductions.com.

Arts Center Offers An Ideal Husband

The Greenbelt Arts Center will present "An Ideal Husband," Oscar Wilde's biting social comedy about manners, politics, society and scandal, directed by Steve Cox. Performances are Friday and Saturday, January 21, 22, 28, 29, February 4, 5, 11 and 12 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, January 30 and February 6 at 2 p.m. The theater is at 123 Centerway, in the lower level of Roosevelt Center. There is a reduced fee for seniors and students. For reservations and directions call 301-441-8770.

City Notes

The parks crew collected Christmas trees at posted areas, chipped them and hauled the chipped material to the county composting facility.

The horticulture crew pruned tree limbs over the sidewalk and road surface on White Birch Court and removed a large dead pine tree on Ridge Road, a hazardous dead oak tree near 51 court Crescent and hazardous trees and limbs near St. Hugh's School playground.

Community Events**Greenbriar Hosts Family Matinee**

Greenbriar and Glen Oaks residents are invited to bring the family and enjoy "Tall Tale" on Saturday, January 29 in the Terrace Room at 1 p.m. This is an adventure movie with Patrick Swayze, Scott Glenn and Oliver Platt. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Refreshments will be served. Admission is free but registration is required. Call Tina at 301-441-1096 by January 26.

Co-op Pays Interest

The Co-op Supermarket this month paid the interest earned by its members during 1999. Interest on Member Capital for the year amounted to \$8,935. Almost 300 members, those with more than \$200 in their account, received their share of the interest. Added to Member Capital accounts was \$5,862 and \$3,073 was paid in cash where the Member Accounts reached the maximum allowable of \$1,000. The rate of interest paid was five percent.



Greenbelters were saddened to hear of the death of 1980 Outstanding Citizen Clara Brandt.

Congratulations to Rosemary Reiss, the daughter of Ted Reiss of Parkway, who has been named to the Dean's List at Hamilton College for the 1999 fall semester. A sophomore at Hamilton, Reiss is a graduate of Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

Greenbelters can read about former resident Peter Svenson's new life in his book "Green Shingles, At the Edge of Chesapeake Bay."

Congratulations to Reginald Cameron who was formerly a crewman on the city refuse truck, who has been promoted to leader/driver and to Tom Ray, a crewman on the streets crew, who was promoted to refuse collector/driver.

Congratulations to Shane Doyle, age 11, who was one of 100 young artists from around the country whose drawings of chicken nuggets were chosen to appear in an art exhibition sponsored by the Perdue chicken producers and held the week of January 12 in New York City.

The winners were selected from thousands of "Masterpieces in Chicken" contest entries from around the country, produced by kids between the ages of three and 12. Each drawing represented a shape that the artist would like to see produced and included in a new chicken nugget product by Perdue.

OLD GREENBELT THEATRE

"ONE OF THE YEAR'S BEST PICTURES!"
—REX REED, THE NEW YORK OBSERVER

'A SUPERB FILM!'

THE CIDER HOUSE RULES

WEEK OF JANUARY 21

Cider House Rules PG-13

Fri. (4:45 @ \$4.00) 7:20, 9:45
Sat. (2:15, 4:45 @ \$4.00)
7:20, 9:45
Sun. (2:15, 4:45 @ \$4.00)
7:20
Mon. - Thurs. 7:30

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Recreation Review

Now that the snow season is here—remember to call the Recreation Department's Weather and Information hotline for updates on class cancellations and delays! 301-474-5525. Co-ed indoor recreational soccer practice will take place on Sundays from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Springhill Lake Recreation Center. This class for 11 to 16 year olds will be hosted by Arturo Oliva.

**Exploring Your Medical Records**

On Friday, January 28, Explorations Unlimited presents "Your Medical Records." The presenter will be Esther L. Malaspina, former Chief of the Medical Records Department of the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS).

Malaspina graduated in 1985 from Misericordia College in Pennsylvania with a master of science degree in human services administration and in 1979 with a bachelor of science in health records administration from Temple University. She received her Paralegal Certification in 1989 and became a Registered Records Administrator (R.R.A.) in 1979.

"Your Medical Records." "What you don't know can hurt you. Your medical records may be controversial and questionable. Has technology invaded your privacy?" These are some of the concerns Malaspina will address.

"Explorations Unlimited" is a speaker series held every Friday from 1 - 3 p.m. at the Community Center. This presentation will be held in the Senior Classroom. Everyone is welcome to attend and questions are encouraged. Please call 301-397-2208.

SHL Parents Invited To MSPAP Meeting

Springhill Lake Elementary School will host a Maryland School Performance Assessment Program (MSPAP) parent meeting night on Tuesday, January 25 at 6:30 p.m. The meeting has been planned to help parents become aware of the use of MSPAP and to give them some strategies that can be used at home to strengthen the skills of their children. This statewide testing will take place in May and, by helping children, it is hoped that they can attain their highest potential.

Greenbelt CARES

Two grants totaling \$40,075 have been awarded to Greenbelt CARES by the Prince George's County Office for Health and Human Services. Funds for the grants are coming from the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) federal program and must be spent before the end of the current fiscal year to support new programming for an underserved population.

The grants will enable CARES to place five current Family Clinic volunteer counselors in local schools to co-lead anger management groups. A psychologist, presently completing his doctoral internship at the Baltimore Veterans Administration Hospital, will facilitate two parent skill training groups at Springhill Lake Elementary School.

Judy Hering began the winter session of the GED preparatory course on Thursday, January 13. GED I is for students who need more review of basic math and English skills. GED II is for students who need review of algebra, geometry, and English grammar skills. This 10-week course will end on March 23. Six students enrolled in the course.

Teresa Smithson conducted the last session of a pre-teen discussion group at Greenbelt Middle School, on Friday, January 14. The group enjoyed pizza, and discussed what they have learned from their participation.

At the Library**Children's Programs**

Tuesday, January 25, P.J. Storytime at 7 p.m. for ages 4 - 6. Thursday, January 27, Drop-In Storytime at 10:15 a.m. for ages 3 - 5. Toddler Time at 11:15 a.m. for two-year-olds and parent or caregiver.

On display for January is glass artwork by Ann Booth.

Art Works in Glass At the Library

An exhibit of unique art works in glass by artist Ann Booth of Jefferson, Pennsylvania, is on display in the Greenbelt Library for the month of January. The exhibit is titled: "So powerful is the light of unity that it can illuminate the whole earth." It is located in the display case on the lower level of the library.

Inspired by a visit to the Corning Museum of Glass in New York, Ann developed a unique method by which she carves by sandblasting into glass panels creating delicate and flowing compositions. She uses an airbrush technique to tint the designs with diaphanous veils of permanent color. Her unique and original art glass is inspired by the beauty of the natural world, a study of oriental art, and a sense of the underlying unity of all creation.

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ber 8. Breakfast and dinner meals are to be included in the cost. See Taylor for more information and to sign up.

Louis Giacchino, dance instructor, urged Golden Agers to sign up for dance classes on Sunday evenings. The eight-week course will be held in the dance studio in the Community Center and will include lessons in ballroom, Latin and swing dancing. There is a fee.

The January Birthday Party was held on Wednesday, January 19. John Henry Jones donated coffee. Winners and honorees will be announced in a later Golden Age Club news item.

A speaker from Avery Gardens (formerly Chancellor Gardens) has been scheduled for the Wednesday, January 26, meeting. They will provide light refreshments.

Get well wishes are extended to Golden Agers Bernard Schwab, Joan Tatum and Irene Hensel.

**Channel B-10 Schedule
Greenbelt Municipal/Public Access TV****MUNICIPAL ACCESS-301-474-8000****Monday, January 24 at 8 p.m.****City Council Meeting "live"****Tuesday & Thursday, January 25 & January 27**

Introducing a new entertaining program geared towards children ages 4-11, focusing on the art of magic. This is the first in a series of 13 programs.

4:00 p.m. "Dr. Magic Show" Episode 1**6:00 p.m. "Seniors' New England Literary Tour"****6:15 p.m. Replay of City Council of 1/24****PUBLIC ACCESS-GATE-301-507-6581****7:00 p.m. "Tis the Season"****7:30 p.m. "Silent Roar"**

OBITUARY**Clara Brandt**

Former Greenbelter Clara Brandt, 92, died on January 18, 2000, in Silver Spring.

A resident since 1960, she was Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen for 1980 and was included in the Prince George's County volume, "Women of Achievement." Employed at Goddard, she participated in many outside activities, including organizing drives for needy families after fires and casualties; volunteering for many years at St. Elizabeth's Hospital and Greenbelt Convalescent Center; assisting Brownie and Girl Scout leaders; cooking for the

sick and assisting in various activities of Mowatt Memorial Methodist Church, where she was a member of the church and its mission board and sang in the choir.

She belonged to the Greenbelt Woman's Club and Golden Age Club.

Survivors include nieces and nephews John S. Cannon, Jr., Ruth Tippett, Doris Sabine, George Cannon and Owen Brandt and numerous great nieces and nephews.

Services are at Gasch's Funeral Home in Hyattsville, on Friday, January 21. Burial will be private.

Memorials in her name may be made to Mowatt Memorial Methodist Church, 40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770.



Ralph Noble, Outstanding Citizen 1979 presents plaque to the 1980 recipient Clara Brandt
-- photo by J. Henson

December Activities At St. Hugh's School

December was a busy month for the students of St. Hugh's Elementary and Junior High School. Two field trips highlighted the month. The first graders took a field trip to the Kennedy Center to see "Lily's Purple Plastic Purse" in the theater lab. The children enjoyed the bus ride almost as much as they liked the show. The eighth graders visited the Academy of the Holy Cross in Kensington to hear speaker, Molly Kelly, give a presentation on teen chastity and wise choices.

Throughout the month, the students collected new toys for less fortunate children in a parish in Washington, D.C. A large Christmas tree decorated the gym stage and it was soon surrounded by hundreds of toys for children of all ages. The gifts were delivered a week before Christmas.

The St. Hugh's beginner and advanced bands entertained the students and parents at a Christmas concert. Under the supervision of band director, Jennifer Rieg, the musical selections ranged from holiday tunes to classical pieces. A solo clarinet piece was performed by sixth grader, Marie Crenwelge and a trumpet duet featured Tristan Guha-Gilford and Gabriel Stork.

The school Christmas pageant this year was entitled, "The Christmas Lamb." Students from kindergarten through fifth grade filled the parts and helped with the set design. Laurie Lemieux directed the play and organized the music as she has for the past several years. Fourth grader, Bucky Fitzgerald, had the lead role as the shepherd boy looking for the Christ Child. Traveling to all the continents on the earth, and meeting many friends along the way, the shepherd boy finally finds the Infant Jesus right in his own home town. The children,



Students at St. Hugh's school perform in the annual Christmas Pageant, this year titled "The Christmas Lamb." The Kindergarten to fifth grade classes participated in the program.

— photos by Sharon Natoli



Kelsey Shaffer (left) as Mary and Rita Wade (right) as the Angel performed in the pageant on December 14.

parents, faculty and staff all had a wonderful time.

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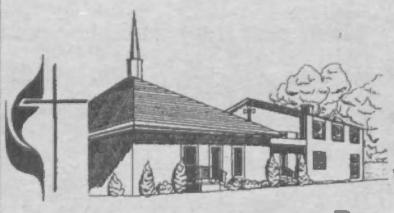
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Greenbelt Baptist Church**OBITUARY****Clara Brandt**

Former Greenbelter Clara Brandt, 92, died on January 18, 2000, in Silver Spring.

A resident since 1960, she was Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen for 1980 and was included in the Prince George's County volume, "Women of Achievement." Employed at Goddard, she participated in many outside activities, including organizing drives for needy families after fires and casualties; volunteering for many years at St. Elizabeth's Hospital and Greenbelt Convalescent Center; assisting Brownie and Girl Scout leaders; cooking for the

sick and assisting in various activities of Mowatt Memorial Methodist Church, where she was a member of the church and its mission board and sang in the choir.

She belonged to the Greenbelt Woman's Club and Golden Age Club.

Survivors include nieces and nephews John S. Cannon, Jr., Ruth Tippett, Doris Sabine, George Cannon and Owen Brandt and numerous great nieces and nephews.

Services are at Gasch's Funeral Home in Hyattsville, on Friday, January 21. Burial will be private.

Memorials in her name may be made to Mowatt Memorial Methodist Church, 40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770.

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10 am Education for all ages
11 am Sung Service



Greenbelt Arts Coordinator Nicole DeWald and photographer Manuel Lopez at the reception in his honor held at the Greenbelt Municipal Building.

-photo by Norma Belt

Paradise Found

by Nelda Young

Software engineer Manuel Lopez knows how to handle a camera. His initial exhibition, "Paradise Found: The Floral Photography of Manuel Lopez," is on display in the Greenbelt Municipal Building through January 27.

Using a Nikon camera and natural light, Lopez snapped some striking pictures for this exhibition. On a recent trip to Hawaii he captured on film water lilies which are reminiscent of Claude Monet's paintings.

"Flaming Passion: Bird of Paradise" reflects the influence Georgia O'Keefe has had on art.

Lopez, a native of the Philippines who now resides in Lanham, has been pursuing photography as a hobby since the early 1980s and is active in the Greenbelt Photography Club.

To purchase a Lopez picture or to display pictures, call Greenbelt Arts Coordinator Nicole DeWald at 301-474-8000.



Greenbelt Photo Club Members during field shoot at Greenbelt Lake November 13.

-photo by Manny Lopez II



Irv Siegel, Greenbelt resident and Photo Club member enjoying field shoot at Greenbelt Lake.

-photo by Manny Lopez II

PRELIMINARY AGENDA MEETING OF GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday, January 27, 2000 • 7:30 p.m.
GHI Board Room

Key Agenda Items

- ◆ Marketing Committee Charter
- ◆ Role of Board and Staff Liaisons to Committees
- ◆ Administration Building Renovations
- ◆ Board Work Session with City Council - Discussion of Topics
- ◆ Heating Options

Regular Board meetings are open to members.

TRAFFIC

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dedicated bike lanes without elimination of a through traffic lane. However, she said that during the design review process for Greenspring I and II, and the Lakes of Greenbelt Village, the Advisory Planning Board recommended, based in part on comments from the Greenbelt Bicycle Coalition, that bike lanes not be provided. Gasper had a different recollection, believing that the members supported bicycle lanes. He urged consideration of off-street lanes, which he considers safer. Fairfax and Montgomery Counties, he said, are now moving towards off-road bike lanes for new roadways.

During the discussion, Craze noted that "The traffic calming philosophy will be that to do away with the turn lanes would be a good thing because the slowness created by a turning vehicle would help calm traffic."

From Greenbrook Drive to Greenbelt Road there are no shoulders or turn lanes upon which bicycle lanes could be constructed. It may be possible to create bike lanes by narrowing the traffic lanes, although probably not enough to create full six-foot bike lanes.

Bus Stops

Gasper had asked that the bus stop opposite Hunting Ridge be moved closer to the entrance and the flexible bollards removed. Craze disagreed. The stop was moved to its current location and the bollards installed to protect bus riders from motorists using the shoulder to bypass traffic waiting to turn left into Hunting Ridge. The bollards were adjusted to allow adequate width for bicyclists to pass between them and use the shoulder. While further adjustments could be made if needed, she said, removing the bollards would recreate the original hazardous conditions for those waiting for the bus.

Repairs to the bus stops are underway and should be finished by the end of June.

Repaving

The developer of the Lakes of Greenbelt Village has repaired Hanover Parkway from Megan Lane to Hunting Ridge, Craze said. This section will be repaved in the spring. Repaving of the rest of Hanover Parkway is not funded. Council sets the priorities for street repaving during the annual budget review. City



Manager Michael McLaughlin said that most of the problem areas on Hanover Parkway identified during last year's review were in the section to be redone by the developer.

Actions Approved

On unanimous vote, council approved the city staff's recommendations that additional traffic

calming devices be investigated and that the Hanover Parkway bus stops be put on the list to be considered during the normal bus shelter construction program review.

PRESENTATION OF STREET SWEEPER & MOBILE DATA TERMINALS MUNICIPAL BUILDING PARKING LOT

January 24, 2000 - 7:30 P.M.

REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL MUNICIPAL BUILDING COUNCIL ROOM

January 24, 2000 - 8:00 P.M.

I. ORGANIZATION

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
4. Consent Agenda - Approval of Staff Recommendations

(The consent agenda consists of those items which have asterisks [] placed beside them, subject to such revisions as may be made by the Council prior to approval.)*

5. Approval of Agenda and Additions

II. COMMUNICATIONS

6. Presentations
 - LGIT Safety Award
7. Petitions and Requests

(Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless the standing rules are waived by the Council.)

 - 8. Minutes of Meetings
 - 9. Administrative Reports
 - Police Department Promotions
 - * 10. Committee Reports
 - Public Safety Advisory Committee Report #00-1
 - Recycling and Environment Advisory Committee Report
 - Interim Report from Assisted Living Task Force

III. LEGISLATION

11. An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 11.5, "Noise Control"
 - 2nd Reading & Adoption
12. A Resolution to Establish Penalties for Violation of Chapter 11.5, "Noise Control"
 - 2nd Reading & Adoption
13. A Resolution to Amend Resolution 899 A Resolution to Purchase Certain Goods and Services from Various Vendors when Total Fiscal Year Purchases from Each Vendor Exceed Ten Thousand Dollars
 - 2nd Reading & Adoption
14. An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 12, "Parks and Recreation," by Adding a New Article VII, "Trees"
 - 1st Reading

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

15. Outdoor Presentation Stage
16. Assisted Living Task Force Report
17. Maryland Historical Trust Heritage Museum Program
18. Neighborhood Speed Watch Program
19. 2000 Census
20. Request from Wildlife Society
21. Award of Purchase - Police and Planning & Community Development Vehicles*
- *22. Letter to Senator Green Regarding Funding Priorities
- *23. Letter to Jones Communications
- *24. Renewal of City Liquor Licenses
- *25. Resignation from Advisory Committee on Education
- *26. Appointments to Advisory Boards and Committees

V. MEETINGS

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Fresh Lean Pork Western Style Spareribs	\$1.39 lb.	Rosina Italian Meatballs
Lloyd's Bar-B-Que 4 Varieties	\$5.99 32 oz.	Louis Rich Turkey Bologna
Chung's Eggrolls 3 Varieties	\$2.79 12 oz.	Claussen Pickles
		All Varieties

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Kraft Cracker Barrel Cheese Asst. Varieties	\$1.89 10 oz.	Continental Deli Maple Ham
Shedd's Soft Vegetable Spreads	\$1.79 3 lb. bowl	Saval Roast Beef
Minute Maid Lemonade	\$1.29 64 oz.	Domestic Swiss Cheese
		Tasty Spaghetti Salad

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Kellogg's Crispix Cereal	2.29 12 oz.	5% Discount To All Customers On All Purchases Except Stamps, Metro Fares, & Prepaid Phone Cards	Sunlight Ultra Liquid Dish Detergent 14.7 oz.
Minute Brand Premium White Rice	99¢ 14 oz.	Best Yet Granulated Sugar 5 lb.	Kraft Mayonnaise Original-Light 32 oz.
Bush's Baked Beans Asst. Varieties	99¢ 28 oz.	Surf Liquid Laundry Detergent 100 oz.	Francisco Rinaldi Spaghetti Sauces All Varieties 26 oz.
Kraft Original Barbecue Sauce	1.49 28 oz.	Post Raisin Bran Cereal 20 oz.	Glass Plus Trigger Spray Cleaner 32 oz.
		Bugle Corn Snacks 6 oz.	Hormel Meatless Chili Orig.-Hot-Veget. 15 oz.
		Dixie Livingwear Paper Plates 6-or-9 Inch 48 pk.	Exotic Kiwi Fruit
		Taco Bell Dinner Kits Original-Soft 10-16 oz.	Hi-C Lunch Box Fruit Drinks 10 pk.
		Best Yet Raisins 24 oz. cannister	Lysol Disinfectant Spray Asst. 12 oz.
		Taco Bell Salsa Dip Mild-Medium 16 oz.	Post Cocoa Pebbles -or- Fruity Pebbles 13 oz.
		Dinty Moore Beef Stew 24 oz.	Hanover Family Size Great Northern -or- Kidney Beans 40 oz.
		Post Cocoa Pebbles -or- Fruity Pebbles 13 oz.	Hanover Soft Pretzels 13 oz.
		Hanover Family Size Great Northern -or- Kidney Beans 40 oz.	

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Northern Double Size Rolls		Q-Tips Value Pack	\$1.99
Bathroom Tissues 6 Roll Pack	\$2.99	Cotton Swabs	300 pk.
Glamour Kitty Cat Litter	2.79 16 lb.	Sentry T-120 Video Cassette	\$1.29 each
Heinz Squeeze Ketchup	99¢ 24 oz.	Best Yet Napkins 120 pk.	69¢ 120 pk.
		Dixie Plastic Party Cups 20 pk.-16 oz.	99¢ 2.2 oz.

HOUSEWARES

	Nutritious California Broccoli bunch
Heart Healthy Red Grapefruit 5 pound bag	Fresh Express Garden Salad Mix 1 pound bag
Anjou Pears lb.	Nature's Finest Baby Peeled Carrots 2 pound bag
Red Delicious Apples lb.	Nature's Finest Idaho Russet Potatoes 5 lb. bag
Exotic Kiwi Fruit 6 pack	Red Ripe Tomatoes 6 pack
Fruit Club For Kids FREE Banana See Store For Details	Marie's Vegetable Dips 16 oz.

FROZEN FOOD

Old Orchard Orange Juice 12 oz.	Busch Beer 6 pack 12 oz. cans
Patio Burritos Asst. 5 oz.	Beringer White Zinfandel Wine 750 mil.
Totino's Pizza Roll 7.5 oz.	Blue Ridge Beers 6 pk. - 12 oz. NR's
Hanover Soft Pretzels 13 oz.	Santa Carolina Wines 1.5 liter

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Greenbelt Grab Bag

by Punchin' Judy

Happy New Year, Greenbelt! Do you consider this the Millennium or are you holding out for next year? Personally, knowing that mille means thousand in Latin, I feel that any year that ends in an M in Roman numerals or three zeros in our numbering system qualifies as a millennium. However, reasonable and flexible (ahem) person that I am, I am prepared and willing to celebrate twice, so don't forget to invite me to your party next year.

Did you stock up in case of an emergency? I admit I did get an extra can of soup and some paper supplies. They were on sale, anyway. Luckily there apparently were no serious glitches. One computer failure did occur on the island of Guam. It seems that a cash register refused to give out receipts. Another was in nearby Delaware, where three hundred slot machines konked out. How sad! Closer to home, a clock at the Naval Observatory put us several thousand years into the future without missing a tick or a tock. Probably still snickered.

When I was a little girl I figured out how old I would be on this occasion (I'm not telling!) and I didn't expect to make it. I certainly couldn't foresee myself sitting at a computer writing a story for the News Review.

As a kid I read a lot of science fiction and never really believed in the predictions. I had my own ideas, some of which were fairly close to present reality. Aviation, I imagined would advance enormously, space travel included. But automobiles turned out to be a disappointment; they have more gadgets than formerly, but are still boxes on wheels that get flat tires and sometimes stall.

ACADEMY

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lows: to develop an advisory board of information technology businesses, community organizations, and institutions of higher learning; to recruit students to enroll in the pilot program starting in the fall of 2000; to develop collaboratively with AF and the Center for Occupational Research and Development and other stakeholders an integrated academic and internship curriculum; to identify an interdisciplinary team to support the program and provide staff development; and to furnish classrooms and computer laboratory facilities with equipment and materials.

Eleanor Roosevelt High School has previously received several major awards. The U.S. Department of Education recently named it a 1999 New American High School. In 1990 and 1997, it was named a Maryland Blue Ribbon School as well as a National Blue Ribbon School in 1990.

My nicest surprise this new year was when I checked my computer to see what date it would put on my writing efforts. Guess what? It knew how to say 2000! Do I have a smart PC? I hope I will be equally smart when I start writing checks. The computer, however, did not express any opinion on what is the correct date of the millennium, so I'll just wing it and agree with everybody and stay out of arguments.

One thing we can all agree on, the future lies ahead. Happy Y2K!

POST OFFICE

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Corporation (FDIC). The FDIC then sold the land at auction to the Peterson Companies which also bought the nearby Sunrise property. Mentioned as a possible location for the new post office, Sunrise is located near the Holiday Inn and Martin's, adjacent to the Beltway. Zoned residential, it is rumored that the property is being considered by some members of council for parkland.

Lower Value

Modjeska contends that building a new post office facility between two existing tracts of office buildings (Commerce Center 1 at the corner of Hanover Parkway and Greenbelt Road, and Commerce Center 2's one-story and three-story buildings southeast of the proposed post office site) would lower the value of those buildings. He observed that Aetna US Healthcare (formerly NYL Care), the current occupants of Commerce Center II, will be moving elsewhere this summer.

Meanwhile, postal employees continue to work in their crowded quarters in Roosevelt Center below the Co-op Supermarket. The postponement of construction of a larger post office has been a disappointment not only to the employees but also to the Postal Service and Greenbelt residents. Since 1968 city councils and the Postal Service have worked together to find a new location for a larger postal facility in Greenbelt. When this goal is realized, the postal service has assured successive councils that sales functions and post office boxes will be left in the existing post office in Roosevelt Center.

**Community Tax Aid
Needs Volunteers**

Community Tax Aid is seeking volunteers to help low income people with their tax returns on weekends and weeknights at one of 12 sites in Prince George's County and the Metro DC area. Training is provided starting January 29. They are looking for individuals with tax, foreign language and administrative skills. Community Tax Aid is an all-volunteer non-profit group in its 13th year. They can be contacted by email at ctavol@aol.com or by phone at 703-318-2133.

**Arboretum
Seeks Help**

The National Arboretum is seeking volunteers to help the horticultural staff maintain the Arboretum's gardens and plant collections. Volunteers will be trained in botany, plant identification, pruning, mulching and weeding. A five-week training course, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Tuesdays will begin January 25. Volunteers work weekdays a minimum of four hours a week between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. For an application call Mary Ann Jarvis at 202-245-4565.

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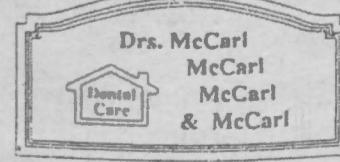
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Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department. Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

Armed Robbery

Beltway Plaza Mall, Jan. 10, 12:51 p.m., a man was about to exit his vehicle in the rear parking lot when another man opened the driver's door, entered the vehicle, displayed a black revolver, and demanded money. The robber took the victim's wallet and prescription medications and then fled on foot on Cherrywood Lane towards Greenbelt Metro Drive. The suspect is described as a black male in his twenties, 5'7" and 155 lbs., with black hair and brown eyes. He had a medium complexion and some facial hair. He was wearing a black "FUBU" jacket, black pants, and white sneakers.

Drugs

6400 block of Ivy Lane, Jan. 14, 1:39 a.m., a 49-year-old male resident was found during a traffic stop to be in possession of crack cocaine and drug paraphernalia. A computer check also revealed that he had an open warrant with the Loudon County Police Department. The man was arrested and was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Forgery

7500 block of Ora Glen Drive, Jan. 7, 12:04 p.m., a 38-year-old male nonresident was arrested and charged with uttering a forged document, credit card offense, and making a false statement after he attempted to cash a forged check using fake identification and a stolen credit

Chief Announces Police Promotions

Greenbelt Chief of Police James C. Craze announced to the city council promotions of officers for 1999. The promotions followed completion of an extensive process which involved use of a consultant. Those promoted were — to Sergeant: Carl Henry Schinner; to Corporal: Robert Musterman; to Master Police Officer: Craig A. Rich, Ronald F. Walter, Jack M. Parker, Mark A. Sagan, Gerald W. Potts, Derrick A. Washington, Scott A. Kaiser, Seung Won Lee, John M. Dewey, and Gordon D. Pracht.

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Counterfeit Currency

T.G.I. Friday's in the 6100 block of Capitol Drive, Jan. 8, a counterfeit \$20 bill was passed.

AMC 8 Theatres in Beltway Plaza Mall, Jan. 9, a counterfeit \$20 bill was passed.

Burglary and Theft

9100 block of Edmonston Terrace, Jan. 6, 2:41 p.m., a television, video game player, and money were taken. Entry was gained by unknown means.

6100 block of Breezewood Court, Jan. 10, 10:10 p.m., jewelry was taken. Entry was gained by forcing open a window.

7500 block of Greenway Center Drive, Jan. 11, 2:08 p.m., an unattended laptop computer, a wallet, and other items were taken from an office suite. At 2:58 p.m. it was reported that an unattended laptop computer was taken from another office suite.

6000 block of Springhill Drive, Jan. 13, 7:04 p.m., video equipment, a telephone, a video game player, and video games were taken. Entry was gained by breaking through a wall of a vacant apartment into the residence.

Vehicle Crimes

The following vehicles were reported stolen: a white four-door 2000 Cadillac El Dorado with Maryland dealer tags IA118682, Jan. 10, from the 6500 block of Capitol Drive, and a blue four-door 1986 Cadillac Seville with Maryland tags GRE 508, Jan. 13, from the Greenbelt Metro station.

Free Tutoring

The Greenbelt Moving Ahead Program (GMA) and the Tutoring and Homework Club are in full operation again at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center for the remainder of the school year. GMA meets on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to noon and the Tutoring and Homework Club meets on Wednesday from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Both programs are free. Students are encouraged to take advantage of these offerings. For more information call Janet Goldberg after 2:30 p.m. at 301-397-2212.

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NOISE CONTROL

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an unnecessary or unreasonable length of time and makes property owners responsible for noise violations committed by tenants.

By lessening the severity of the infraction, the city also hopes to make it easier to enforce. The current law makes violations a misdemeanor. City Solicitor Robert Manzi said that States' Attorneys do not want to prosecute such minor offenses. So, the new ordinance makes violations civil infractions, similar to parking tickets, for which the city can simply cite the offender and assess a penalty. If someone has repeated violations, then the city can seek injunctive relief, violation of which would put the offender at risk of prosecution for criminal contempt.

The ordinance would continue to exclude approved activities on public property (such as cheering at Braden Field), sound from sporting, recreational or entertainment events for which a use and occupancy permit has been issued, and emergency vehicle sirens. It would also not cover dog barking (covered under the animal control ordinance).

Council engaged Craze in a Q and A regarding what would and would not be covered (car alarms and boomboxes in a park, yes; barking dogs, no). There was a fairly extended discussion regarding leaf blowers. Along with lawnmowers, snowblowers and machinery, these are not covered so long as they are not operated before 7 a.m. and not operated for an unusually long period of time. Councilmember Alan Turnbull noted that some communities have banned leaf blowers and suggested that anyone interested in the city taking similar action call the city office (City Manager Michael McLaughlin suggested that they call Turnbull).

Mayor Judith Davis noted that homeowner associations have little control over the devices used by the maintenance services they hire. Sheldon Goldberg noted that some people are physically incapable of raking leaves. And Councilmember Rodney Roberts likened a ban on leafblowers to the ban on hanging laundry outside on Sundays that

Greenbelt imposed early in its history.

Bertram Donn suggested prohibiting devices that exceed certain decibel levels. Council directed staff to research the range of noise produced by lawnmowers, leaf blowers and snowblowers.

Both ordinances will be considered for final adoption at the January 24 regular council meeting.

Consumers Offered Info on Evictions

When can a landlord evict a renter? Can a landlord just change the locks and put the renter's belongings out on the street? In the latest issue of his monthly consumer publication "The Consumer's Edge," Attorney General J. Joseph Curran, Jr. explains the eviction process and the protections offered to renters.

Tenants may be evicted for non-payment of rent, for failing to move out of the rental unit after the lease has ended or for breach of lease.

The publication offers the names and phone numbers of Maryland organizations that offer legal help, advice and emergency assistance to tenants facing eviction. Copies are available in the library.

Seniors Reschedule Legislative Rally

The annual legislative rally sponsored by the United Seniors of Maryland has been rescheduled for Tuesday, February 1 from 8:15 a.m. to 2 p.m. (The original date was January 19, now scheduled for the Governor's State of the State address to the legislature.)

The rally "Aging in Place: Your Place or Mine" will be held in the Francis Scott Key auditorium at St. John's College in Annapolis. The fee includes a continental breakfast, lunch and rally packet.

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The News Review, quite surprised by the discovery, apologizes to anyone who may have been told we did not get what they knew they had given us and for any inconvenience. We have filled the hole with duct tape until the problem can be fixed.

Chrysanthemum Expert to Speak

Dr. Robert Howell will encourage garden club members to "Catch Chrysanthemum Fever: The Healthy Kind to Have," at the January meeting of the Beltsville Garden Club on Wednesday, January 26. The slide-illustrated talk will include a discussion of mum culture and available cultivars.

Bob Howell is retired from the USDA Agricultural Research Service, is a former president of the Beltsville Garden Club, was twice president of the Potomac Chrysanthemum Society, has won over a thousand flower show ribbons, and has 700 to 800 chrysanthemums in his garden.

The Beltsville Garden Club meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Duckworth School at 11201 Evans Trail in Beltsville. (Evans Trail is the first street to the left, at the blinking yellow light, west of Interstate 95, off Powder Mill Road.) Refreshments and door prizes will follow the meeting. Admission is free and the public is invited. For more information, call 301-384-2415.

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The American Cancer Society will sponsor its 22nd annual "Daffodil Days" campaign this winter.

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Lighthouse for Blind Needs Volunteers

Columbia Lighthouse for the Blind is seeking volunteers to assist visually impaired and blind individuals in the Washington metro area by reading mail, and helping with shopping and transportation. For further information Call Kevin Drummond at 202-462-2900.

Women's Support Group Offered Free to Abused

by Nelda Young

"I'm mad as hell and I'm not going to take it anymore," shouted the crazed anchorman portrayed by Peter Finch in the 1970's movie "Network." Before they reach that point, like the character in the movie, Brenda Aker and Bonita James, counselors at Greenbelt CARES, urge abused women, men, and children to call for help.

A free Women's Support Group specifically geared toward domestic violence will be starting soon in Greenbelt. To break the ice at the first meeting, each new member will be paired with another participant to conduct mutual interviews. The counselors have found that getting acquainted one-on-one facilitates the forming of friendships in the group. In addition all participants and counselors are asked to sign a confidentiality statement to insure that shared information does not leave the room.

The counselors do not have an agenda or an axe to grind. Aker says, "We are not advocating divorce or separation. Our goal is to help the participants explore

their options."

James says, "The support group meetings are intended as an opportunity to share with others who are in similar situations. By being reminded that they are not alone or the only person in the world to have these experiences, we hope they will develop self-esteem and confidence that they can survive."

Survival techniques include building a safety net that is ready if an emergency occurs: Help is given in answering questions such as, "What would you take if you had to leave home in an hour? Where would you go? Who would you contact? Do you have access to money?" Statistics show that misfortune strikes all races equally and occurs at all socio-economic levels.

Aker and James have each studied psychology, sociology, and counseling and both are working toward Masters in social work degrees. Prior to joining Greenbelt CARES James worked with at risk youth and families at Sasha Bruce Youth Work, Inc. in D.C.

Aker is a retired Air Force First Sergeant. During her last five

years in the military she worked as an individual counselor to families and children. After retiring she worked with at risk families and children at Edgemoore CAIRS in Waldorf before joining Greenbelt CARES.



Mrs. Cheveley (Lori Sampson) tempts Lord Goring (Max Pugh) in Oscar Wilde's "An Ideal Husband" at Greenbelt Arts Center. The play opens this weekend and runs through Feb. 12.

-photo Shannon Farias

To find out more about the women's support group or to talk to Brenda Aker or Bonita James, call 301-345-6660, ext. 143.

Telephone Hotlines: 301-864-9109 or 1-800-799-SAFE
TTY Hotline: 1-800-787-3224.

Ice Skate in the Great Outdoors!



Special Upcoming Events:

REGISTER TODAY for ice hockey or ice skating lessons. Classes begin week of Feb. 14. Classes are thirty minutes each week, for six weeks. Plus, you receive six free admissions to public sessions to practice what you've learned. Fees are as follows: Beginner-Intermediate \$60, Advanced \$65, and Hockey \$70. Call for non-resident fees.

Thursday, January 27th & Friday, January 28th—Ice and Easy Days—

8:30am-4:30pm. Parents looking for something for their children to do when school is out for the day? Join us—your child will have a beginner ice skating lesson, play games, ice skate and have fun. Available for ages 6-12. Admission: \$25.00 per child, per day. Call for before-care, after-care and non-resident fees.

Thursday, January 27th—Ice skate from 12-2:15pm. The fee is \$4.00 per person, per session and includes admission and skate rental.

Friday, January 28th—Ice skate from 12-2:15pm or 3:00-5:00 pm. The fee is \$4.00 per person, per session and includes admission and skate rental.

Adult Pick-up Hockey – Every Sunday from 9:30pm-11:30pm. Adults 18 and over with full equipment, including a face mask or shield come out for a game of ice hockey. Join the fun. The fee is \$8.25 per person. Call for non-resident rates.

Group Special – Bring a group of ten (10) or more to ice skate for the special rate of \$4 per person, per session (includes admission and skate rental). Advance reservations and payment required to receive this special deal! Call for non-resident rates.

Home School Special – Fridays from 9:00am-11:00am ice skate with your fellow home school friends. The fee is only \$2 per person, per session (includes admission and skate rental).

Lunchtime Special Monday-Friday from 12noon-1:00pm or 1:15pm-2:15pm ice

skate at the special rate of \$2 per person, per session (includes admission and skate rental).

School Group Special – Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 9:30am-11:30am schedule your school group for a special skating session. Only \$2 per person, per session (includes admission and skate rental). Advance reservations and payment required.

Schedule of Public Skating Sessions

DAY	TIME
Monday	12:00- 2:15pm* 2:30- 4:30pm*
Tuesday	12:00- 2:15pm* 2:30- 4:30pm*
Wednesday	12:00- 2:15pm* 3:00- 5:00pm* 7:00- 9:00pm*
Thursday	12:00- 2:15pm* 7:30-9:30pm^/*
Friday, Home School	9:00- 11:00am 12:00- 2:15pm* 3:00- 5:00pm* 7:00-10:00pm†
Saturday	2:00- 4:00pm 4:30- 6:30pm 7:00- 9:00pm
Sunday	10:30am- 12:30pm 1:00- 3:00pm 3:30- 5:30pm 7:00- 9:00pm

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COLLEGE PARK, MD
(301) 277-3719
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www.pgarks.com

Admission Fees

	PG/Mont resident	Non- resident
• Adults	\$4.50	\$5.50
• Children (17 & under)	\$3.50	\$4.25
• Senior Citizen (60 & Up)	\$3.50	\$4.25
• Skate Rental	\$3.50	\$3.50
• Ice Rental (per hour)	\$185.00	\$225.00

Identification will be required to verify residency. College or military Identification will be accepted.

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*Super Saver fee is \$4.00. Includes admission and skate rental. Does not include holidays or holiday schedule and may not be available at all sessions.

† Adult Night only - must be 18 years or over

‡ DJ Night - Admission is \$8.00 and includes a DJ. Skate rental is free. (No Group Rates or Multi-Skate Cards accepted).

■ Sunday is Family Night - up to four children free with a paying mom or dad (does not include skate rental).